

## THE DEMOCRATS!

## Territorial Convention in Session.

## All Day Job Electing the Delegates.

## Resolutions Denouncing Everything at Home and Abroad.

## PROCEEDINGS TO 5 O'CLOCK.

The territorial democratic convention, owing to a delay of the local democratic committee in first securing "signs for counties" in time, was not called to order until 11:30 o'clock this morning, in the handsome new building at the corner of North Third street.

Chas. F. Easley, of Santa Fe county, chairman of the territorial central committee called the convention to order, after which J. H. Henshaw, as secretary, read the call for said convention, Esquivel C. de Baca, of San Miguel county, acting as interpreter.

After the reading of the call, Mr. Easley made a characteristic speech, wherein he announced that the large gathering convinced him that the "democratic party is not dead nor sleeping." He favored the principles of the Chicago platform, and stated that he hoped the delegates to be elected by this convention to the Kansas City national convention will use their utmost endeavors to see that William Jennings Bryan is chosen the party's candidate for president. He then announced that the territorial central committee had selected as temporary officers of the convention the following gentlemen:

Hon. E. V. Chavez, of Bernalillo county, temporary chairman; W. B. Watson, of Grant county, and Antonio Lucero, of San Miguel county, temporary secretaries. Camillo Padilla, A. P. Hill, of Santa Fe county, and Esquivel C. de Baca, of San Miguel county, temporary interpreters.

Summers Burkhardt, of Bernalillo county, moved that the temporary officers as named be chosen by acclamation, which motion prevailed.

A motion then prevailed that the chairman appoint a committee to select the new officers to the platform, and this duty fell to John P. Casey, Jr., of Dona Ana; Antonio Joseph, of Taos, and Summers Burkhardt, of Bernalillo. On taking the chair, E. V. Chavez, temporary chairman, made a brief speech, in which he thanked the convention for conferring upon him the great honor as their temporary presiding officer.

Delegate from San Miguel county moved that a committee of credentials be appointed, one from each county. When the name of Valencia county was called, Gov. J. G. Albright, recently from El Paso, Texas, arose, just in time of a seat occupied by John P. Casey, Jr., and stated that the Valencia county delegate was an extremely modest man, and had called upon him to mention the fact that J. H. Sloan would be pleased to represent that county, he holding all the proxies. With Sloan's name added, the committee on credentials was completed, and on motion accepted by the convention.

A motion then prevailed that a committee on resolutions be appointed, and a committee on permanent organization and order of business be appointed, the following gentlemen were named to serve on the committees: Bernalillo—Summers Burkhardt; Chavez—F. S. Croshaw; Colfax—G. B. Beringer; Dona Ana—J. P. Casey, Jr.; Eddy—W. H. Mullane; Grant—A. N. White; Guadalupe—H. Sloan; Lincoln—John C. Matheron; Mora—M. G. Guevara; Otero—C. Matheron; Rio Arriba—E. A. Beyer; San Juan—L. C. Oro; San Miguel—O. A. Larrazole; Santa Fe—N. B. Laughlin; Sierra—W. S. Howells; Socorro—J. E. Lawrence; Taos—J. A. Pierce; Union—L. C. de Baca; Valencia—J. H. Sloan.

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G. A. Richardson, of Chavez, then suggested that the Bernalillo county delegation arrange meeting places for the committees named, whereupon Mr. Burkhardt, as chairman of the Bernalillo delegation, stated that the committee on permanent organization and order of business at the office of E. V. Chavez, and the committee on resolutions and platform at his (Burkhardt's) office.

Camilo Padilla, of Santa Fe county, then moved, which motion was carried, that the convention now take a recess until 2:30 o'clock this afternoon.

**AFTER-NOON SESSION.**

During the recess some thoughtful democrats concluded that the most appropriate thing to do, as William Jennings Bryan would be here to-morrow, was to have portraits of the distinguished visitor prominently displayed on the stage, hence when the meeting was called to order at 2 o'clock three portraits were plainly visible, and around each were entwined bunches

## and miniature American flags, while directly in front of the stage, where the orchestra holds forth, were a lot of California ferns.

The first business of the afternoon session was the reading of the report of the committee on credentials.

It developed, however, that Guadalupe county was represented, the proxies being held by J. H. Sloan. He also represented Valencia county.

After a few corrections the report of the committee on credentials was accepted.

The report of the committee on permanent organization and order of business, through G. A. Richardson, chairman, named the following officers:

Permanent chairman—O. A. Larrazole of San Miguel county.

Vice president—Matias Contreras, of Socorro county; L. A. C. de Baca, of Union county.

Secretaries—W. B. Watson, of Grant county; Plafado Hues, of San Miguel county.

Interpreters—Camilo Padilla, of Santa Fe county; A. C. Torres, of Socorro county; A. P. Hill, of Santa Fe county.

The report was adopted on motion of Mr. Howells, of Sierra county.

Mr. Burkhardt moved the appointment of a committee of three to select the permanent officers to the platform, whereupon the chair appointed G. A. Richardson, C. N. Blackwell and Esquivel C. de Baca, to that committee.

Mr. Larrazole made a brief speech, in which he thanked the convention for honoring him with the office, as it was entirely unexpected. He counted heavily among the delegates, and that the best men be selected to represent the territory at the national convention to be held at Kansas City.

The report of the committee on resolutions and platform was read by its chairman, Summers Burkhardt.

They are quite lengthy and embody the many "oppositions and denunciations" of the resolutions passed by the Bernalillo county convention held yesterday. Favors the Chicago platform; favors stanchness for the United States; home rule for the Philippines; favors amendments to the constitution authorizing an income tax, and providing for the election of United States senators by canvass of the people.

The retention of the greenbacks as they now exist and the retirement of the national bank notes; to the use of the army of the United States and the suspension of the writ of habeas corpus in times of peace in order that labor may be intimidated and labor organizations broken up; favors giving women the right to vote in school questions.

Nominating committee of the people at-large to the Kansas City convention being in order, the names of E. C. de Baca, of San Miguel county; Lorion Miller, of Bernalillo county; N. B. Laughlin, of Santa Fe county; G. A. Richardson, of Chavez county, were submitted to the convention.

Considerable wrangling here occurred between the delegates as to how the vote should be cast. It was finally decided that the chairman of the delegation, after consulting the delegates, cast the vote of his delegation.

The result was as follows: Baca, 66; Miller, 42; Laughlin, 37; Richardson, 34; necessary to a choice 55 votes.

The chair then called for the second ballot, which resulted: Baca, 92; Miller 41; Laughlin, 32. Mr. Baca was declared the choice of the convention for delegate-at-large, and his selection was made unanimous.

At the chair's call to press the convention is selecting the alternate delegate-at-large, and the other delegates.

**VALUABLE PROPERTY BURNED.**

The Goss Military Institute Building Totally Destroyed by Fire.

The building of the Goss Military Institute was burned to the ground last night about 11 o'clock. No one was at the building at the time that the origin of the fire remains a mystery. A telephone message was sent by Dr. Coranish to the Ruppel drug store; a moment after the sound of the fire alarm bell was heard, and the department turned out. The building was a wooden frame structure and by the time the department reached there it was all aflame. High streams of water were seen spilling upon the fire, but were of little avail. The flames were fanned by the wind, and the building was burning in great portions of the building and holding the fury of the fire in check. Prof. Goss, accompanied by Captain Sutherland and a number of students, were at the opera house when the fire broke out. They were returning to the institute nothing remained of the once handsome home but a few charred timbers and a pile of smoldering embers. Every piece of furniture was destroyed. The loss was estimated at \$25,000. Continental Insurance company, \$500; Continental Insurance company, \$1,000.

C. D. Anderson erected the building at a cost of \$3,000 in 1891. It afterwards became the property of the Co-operative Building and Loan association and was insured in the New York Underwriters company for \$2,000.

**Right to Bland.**

Yesterday afternoon, in Bland, J. N. Wallace, the well-known business man, and a fellow by the name of John Jones, engaged in a quarrel which resulted in a fight and the latter coming out on top. The trouble occurred over the possession of a house, and Mr. Wallace wanted Jones to vacate, whereupon the latter insisted upon remaining in the dwelling and the trouble began. This is not the first instance wherein Jones has figured in cases of this kind. At the instigation of Jones, Mr. Wallace was arrested and was given a hearing in the court of Justice of the Peace Graves. Wallace was placed under bonds to keep the peace.

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## WEATHER REPORT.

## Conditions of Crops as Represented by Various Correspondents.

## PLOWING AND PLANTING ADVANCED.

(U. S. Department of Agriculture, Weather Bureau, in Co-operation with the New Mexico Weather Service.)

Santa Fe, N. M., April 10, 1900.

The winter has been unusually mild and the crop season is estimated by many to be nearly a month earlier than last year. The precipitation for the winter was so much below the normal that notwithstanding favorable weather for preparing the soil the season opened unpropitiously, but the general rains and snows of the last week came just at the proper time, and the outlook at this time is more favorable than for many years past. In the southern part of the territory a light frost on the 9th, instant killed some of the peach and apricot blossoms, but the lasting results of the cold are probably more beneficial than otherwise.

In the northern counties the temperature has fallen to freezing or below several times during the past week, especially on the 9th, when the thermometer registered 5 degrees below freezing at Santa Fe, but it seems to be the consensus of opinion that with the present mild weather there have been few of the earlier fruit buds injured. In the vicinity of Santa Fe many of the apricot blossoms are killed, and some few peaches, but as early as the present time the fruit is not yet in blossom, very full, it is thought that the frosts will have a beneficial effect in somewhat thinning the crop.

Plowing and planting is far advanced and the soil is in excellent condition for seeding. Alfalfa and winter wheat are making a vigorous growth for the season; even in northern counties most of the spring wheat and winter wheat are in excellent condition. The alfalfa has been sown. Gardens generally are made, and in the warmer sections early vegetables have begun a vigorous growth. Notwithstanding the absence of the usual moisture during the winter the crops have matured in a very fair condition, except in the extreme southwest. Stock is in excellent condition at present, and as the recent precipitation will give the grass a vigorous growth, the "General Wheeler" alfalfa, which is in excellent condition for all grazing interests. On account of the lack of the usual winter snows, streams, with the exception possibly of the Rio Grande, have had much less than their normal flow, but at the present time the fear of a spring water famine have been dispelled by the general precipitation of the past week.

The following selected extracts from reports of correspondents will show the conditions more in detail:

**Bernalillo—Bro. Gabriel:** The weather this week was very favorable for gardens and fruits. Apricots and peaches have finished blossoming; pears are just beginning to bloom. Highest temperature was 81 degrees on the 1st; lowest, 24 on the 4th; precipitation, 0.16.

**Las Vegas—J. Thornhill:** First part of the week fine cloudy weather, but latter part cold and cloudy, with snow and thirty minutes of hard hail on the 5th. The precipitation put the soil in excellent condition for plowing and planting. The wheat crop is about 20 miles to the west. There is very little water in the ditches, and a drought is feared. The highest temperature was 83 degrees on the 2d; lowest, 24 on the 6th; total precipitation, 0.31.

**Santa Fe—L. H. Henshaw:** Weather Bureau Cold, cloudy and windy, with most beneficial rain and snow. Soil in excellent condition for working, and good progress made in preparing gardens. Apricots and some peaches in blossom. Frost during the week, with temperature down to 5 degrees below freezing on the morning of the 9th, but as yet very little damage to fruits is apparent. Highest temperature, 83 degrees on the 2d and 4th; lowest, 27 on the 9th; total precipitation, 1.00 inch.

**Springer—Dr. L. Hines:** Several good rains, insuring early grass and a good crop of lamb. The prospects for stock-raising are better than for several years. Highest temperature, 72 degrees on the 2d; lowest, 27 on the 2d; total precipitation, 1.71.

**Walters—C. E. Neidham:** Much progress made in early vegetables and in wheat. Great snow every night the rain and snow on the 4th, 5th and 6th has helped the alfalfa fields, also leaving the soil in good condition to be worked. Stock doing well. Highest temperature, 83 degrees on the 2d and 4th; lowest, 27 on the 9th; total precipitation, 1.00 inch.

**Webster—E. H. Henshaw:** Wheat plowing was interrupted by rain and snow Thursday morning, but afterwards cleared off and farmers resumed work. The soil is in excellent condition and many think that the moisture now in the ground will last for corn planting.

**R. M. HARDINGE,**  
Section Director.

**She Worked Silver City.**

Many Silver City people will remember Little Smith, the lame girl who visited Silver City two or three weeks ago, and who, during her stay, was claiming that she was taking the means of raising money in order to secure an education. She was arrested at Prescott, recently, and convicted of begging and fined \$100. On name and was taking this method of getting money at the suggestion of her lover, whom she was to marry, when sufficient money for the purpose was obtained—Silver City Independent.

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From the Eagle.

This has been a good week for every business house in White Oaks. Rev.